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- Q. William Raspberry of the Washington Post has been doing a series of columns about black American visitors to Israel. He states that they are being detained at the Tel Aviv airport on arrival, interrogated, harrassed, and in some cases denied entry to the country. What can you tell us about this?
- A. -- We are aware of these reports;
-- We are in touch with the Israeli authorities concerning them;
-- We will continue to watch this situation very closely.

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